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SUBJ: VISIT OF PRC MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE TO IRAN

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1. NOVEMBER 29 - DECEMBER 6 VISIT OF CHINESE MINISTER OF FOREIGN TRADE LI CHIANG TO IRAN SEEMS TO HAVE YIELDED MEAGER RESULTS. ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL PRESS STATEMENT, AGREEMENT SIGNED AT END OF VISIT BY PRC MINISTER AND GOI MINISTER OF COMMERCE FEREIDOUN MAHDAVI STATED IRAN WILL INCREASE EXPORTS TO CHINA OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS SUCH AS TRANSPORT VEHICLES, HOUSEHOLD EQUIPMENT, SULPHUR, MACHINE TOOLS AND BALL BEARINGS AND WILL INCREASE IMPORTS FROM CHINA OF RICE, MEAT, LIVE SHEEP, VEGETABLE OIL, PAINTS AND CHEMICALS. NO MENTION WAS MADE OF PROJECTED AMOUNTS OF TRADE, BUT AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED (SEE REFERENCE), GOI/PRC TRADE PROTOCOL SIGNED IN SEPTEMBER CALLED FOR 30 PERCENT INCREASE IN TRADE THIS YEAR.

2. CHINESE MINISTER WAS RECEIVED BY SHAH AND PRIME MINISTER HOVEYDA. HE TOURED IRANIAN OIL FIELDS AND PETROCHEMICALS INSTALLATIONS IN SOUTH AND CONFERRED WITH NATIONAL IRANIAN OIL COMPANY

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POSSIBLE IRANIAN OIL EXPORTS TO CHINA OR PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED TECHNICAL COOPERATION TO DEVELOP CHINESE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY.
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